FISCAL NOTE

SB 2477 - HB 2933

February 25, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the Post-Conviction Defender is authorized to represent a death-sentenced inmate in clemency proceedings and other ancillary actions necessary to protect the constitutional rights of an inmate prior to an impending execution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumes that the Post-Conviction Defender has conducted most of these activities and any expansion of duties involving clemency and other ancillary actions would not have a significant fiscal impact on that office. If any actions necessary to protect the constitutional rights of an inmate prior to an impending execution are not provided by the Post-Conviction Defender, these actions will likely be brought by other appointed attorneys or by volunteer attorneys and these actions would still be pursued.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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